OUR SOCIAL AND

PERSONAL DEPARTMENT

The Press will be thankful for items for this department. either Telephone No. 24. by telephone, mail or in person.

Harry Summer spent last week in the country.

S T Kimbell spent a few minutes in town one day recently.

J S Greer of Burrville, was a Wartburg visitor one day last week

The Pike Road Contractors were all here Monday week. It was pay day.

T C Cooper and Gran Davis favored Wartburg with a visit one day last week.

J D Young was over from Rose last week and established the grade around the Court House.

Sam Davis who had the grading around three side of the Court House finished up last Saturday. The county is to be congratulated on the the way Mr Davis performed the work, as without doubt it is the best piece of grade work in the county.

Gen W H Buttram spent Sunday the 11th inst in our town, and while here was in consultation with some of his political friends at the the General concluded that it is necessary for him to spend the time on Sundays in holding these political consultations we are not pre- war. We have just put military trainpared to say that it is not a sim- ing in our township high school, but ilar case of "the ox in the ditch" we had a hard time to do it. The with him, but to a great many said the war wouldn't come over here. right thinking people holding po-ltical conferences on Sunday is not Well, we put the training in just the any more to be winked at than same. You orter heard Judge Browgrubbing, hoeing corn or cleaning nell, the president of the school board, out fence corners by a poor man take off our coats and go to it, Germaking a living by the sweat of many may yet win, and if she does, she his brow, but we don't know it will take over the great British fleet as may be the public welface demands a war trophy and compel us to do what

Strayed from my place Oct 23 a small cow, her face mostly white, her body pale rediwith a few white the farmers pay rent for their own spots, with a smooth crap of the right ear and a split in the same ear. She carried a large bell. I will give a liberal reward for information of her whereabouts.

W R Brown,

To Patrons of the Central

cember, 1917

it Count Clerk

The United States has placeed a war tax of five cents per message on all telephone messages where the toll is 15 cents or over, and this to be paid by the party in it and must go through with it. But sending the message.

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nessee on th second distribution This five cent tax goes to help the war revenues of the governhis rause by Laura Thomprem Please be governed accordingly.

Central Telephone Co. by O.C. Conatser, President orice be published in the Morgan

We would greatly appreciate it if our friends would hand in any knowanio Cimeri'

We have arranged for a series of six interesting articles, "War Talks, by Uncle Dan," written by Mr. Howard H. Gross, president of the Univereal Military Training League, of which this is the first. They tell in a graphic way why military training is of value, both to the nation and to the individual, and our readers will find them of unusual interest.

By UNCLE DAN

Number One

America Must Fight Hard or Germany May Win-Necessity for Milltary Training.

"Now, Billie," said his mother, "your Uncle Dan is coming tomorrow to spend a week with us on the farm, and if you want to know about the war, here's your opportunity. Uncle Dan is probably one of the best-informed men in the country." Billie clapped his hands and gave such a whoop that he wakened the baby, but what could you expect of a fifteen-year-old boy who is a living interrogation point and wants to know about war?

Uncle Dan arrived in due time and Billie watched for an opportunity. It Williamt hotel. We surmise that came that evening after dinner when Uncle Dan had lighted a cigar and taken a seat on the porch.

"I'm mighty glad you came, Uncle Dan. I want to talk to you about the ever she wants to; that she could make us pay all the cost of the war; the kalser could tax us as he pleased and that we couldn't help ourselves. He could make every one pay over a part of what he earns; that he could make farms, etc. Now, Uncle, what do you think of that?"

"Well, my boy," said Uncle Dan, "all that Judge Brownell says might easily come true and may unless we go quickly to the aid of the allies with large numbers of men and help them break the German line. Unless we can Lancing R 1. beat the submarines, they may prevent us from getting enough food to the allies to keep them going. In that case Germany would win. As matters Telephone Company stand today, our greatest need is trained men. If we had had several millions of men with military training in our industries and on our farms when the war came, who could have been called at once for service, I do not believe the kaiser would have forced the war upon us. As it was, he had no respect for us, and now we are never again must we be caught so wholly unprepared.

"There is only one safe way," said Uncle Dan, "and that is to adopt permanently universal military training, apply it to every young man who is physically fit, say in his nineteenth or twentieth year. The training can be carried forward in the United States training camps that are now being established for training men called by the selective draft. As soon as these men vacate these stations, they should be filled by younger men, and this should be made the permanent policy of the country."

Billie's mother, Mrs. Graham, had overheard the conversation. She came out and said: "Really, Brother Dan, are, you serious as to the dangers of items of news or locals they may our country? If it is as bad as that, it is high time for us to wake up and do athing about it."

"Exactly," replied Uncle Dan. "It is better to wake up now than to be rudely awakened later. We may as well understand, sister, that this is our war and we must win it or God help America. Everything that we have or hope to have—our liberties, our blessings, our opportunities are all involved in the great issue before us. Nothing must stand between us and winning this war. It is a question whether the peoples' right or the kalser's might shall dominate the world. If there ever was a holy war, this is It. We are fighting for world liberty. We are fighting for the freedom of humanity. We are fighting for the right of men to govern themselves instead of being governed against their will by a war-mad overlord. Perilous times are ahead of us. We must be prepared to make any sacrifice, to perform any service that may be required

"Oh, Uncle Dan," exclaimed Billie, "may I bring my chum, Jimmie Collins, when we have our next talk? He is a bug on this war business and just crazy to see you."

"Certainly," said Uncle Dan, with a hearty laugh. "If we are to have more alks, I shall be glad to have Jimmie

Billie clapped nis hands and ran to he 'phone and told Jimmie to be over at seven o'clock the next evening.

The Eccentric Chinece.

Petroleum may be a thing for which one's taste has to be cultivated. At any rate, the Chinese dislike the smell and touch of it so badly that they are much in the situation of the people who seventy-five years ago had salt works in western Pennsylvania—they abominate the petroleum and abandon a well when the proportion of oil to brine gets high. Their repugnance for crude petroleum may be measured by the fact that in China it takes from one to three generations to bore a well! For the refined products of petroleum they have no such aversion, or even for the tin cans in which they get it from the United States, making out of the latter a source of almost as many of the necessaries of life as a South Sea islanders finds in his favorite coconut palm.—The Nation's Business.

Where the Profit?

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